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1. Source is convinced that the Soviet element dealing with the control of the Soviet Zone German police is now in the process of reorganization. He infers this from the fact the Otdels for Civilian German Affairs, Reparations, and Public Health were being moved into the UVD building at the end of October.
2. The direction of the "future democratic army" with Zaisser as its head, has allegedly been taken over from the UVD by the so-called Military Directorate which is also in the process of reorganization and which will be known in the future as the Chief Military Otdel.
3. Zaisser's organization, known as the "Verwaltung für Schulung" is composed of 10 to 11 schools and the following units:
  - a. 24 Infantry detachments (Otriads) with a T/O of 1050 enlisted men and officers in each detachment;
  - b. 8 Artillery detachments with a T/O of 850 enlisted men and officers in each detachment;
  - c. 3 Tank detachments with a T/O of 750 enlisted men and officers in each detachment.

- 25X1A 4. [REDACTED] the above-mentioned units are cadres which will eventually produce 24 combat divisions. Each infantry triad will form the cadre of one division. The 8 artillery detachments and the three tank detachments will be part of the infantry divisions and will not become independent. All enlisted personnel now undergoing training should be ready in one year to take over as the non-commissioned officers of the future divisions.
5. The 10-11 schools are preparing future platoon and company commanders. Higher ranking officers are being trained and prepared within the boundaries of the USSR. The school training these officers is located in the city of Volsk on the Volga river and commanded by Colonel Petrakov. The following prominent German personalities are now attending this school:

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- a. Paul Markgraf (former chief of police, Berlin);
- b. Kurt Wagner (former Vice-President of the German Administration of the Interior);
- c. Kirschner (former head of the armaments section of the GAI).

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